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To Deputy Chief Crown Prosecutor Judith Reed:

## The Stansted 15: Quash the convictions!

The Partisan Defence Committee demands the immediate overturn of the conviction of the Stansted 15, who stopped a deportation flight in March 2017. Prosecution of these activists using anti-terror legislation—the Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990—is an outrageous act of intimidation. They are now facing the possibility of life sentences. As shown by the 57,000-plus signatures on a petition calling for the overturn of their conviction, many rightly consider them heroes.

The 15 justifiably feared for the lives of the intended deportees. In September, it was reported that Zainadin Fazlie had been murdered by the Taliban in Afghanistan, after being deported by the British government. How many others have been tortured or killed is unknown.

Yours sincerely,



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